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- \$2.5 million S, 53-year-old recovery analyst earning about \$65,000 annually, survived by wife and three adult children: 326
- \$2.5 million V, 40-year-old data processor earning about \$23,000 annually, survived by one minor child and one adult child: 326
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